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Delay Values**

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**RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING RCE**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed 07 November 2007, and accompanying a Request for Continued Prosecution, Applicants request the following amendments in the above-referenced application:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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